TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 2107 – SB 2070

April 5, 2016

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Requires, on or before January 31, 2017, the Commissioner of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services to report to the Health and Welfare Committee of the Senate and the Health Committee of the House of Representatives on the feasibility of a pilot program for one county that seeks to address overcrowding in jails and correctional institutions. Transitional services, including mental health services and supports, substance abuse treatment and counseling, health care, and employment and housing supports, would be provided to certain prisoners who are released into the community. The Commissioner is to consult with the Department of Correction, the Department of Labor and Workforce Development, the Bureau of TennCare, and other relevant state agencies and community stakeholders in developing this report.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (015475): Deletes and rewrites the bill such that the only substantive changes are to remove the requirement that the Commissioner consults with other Departments in developing the report and to add language stating what the report shall specifically examine.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumption for the bill as amended:

 Based on information provided by the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services, the requirements of the proposed legislation can be accommodated within existing resources.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

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